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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A blocking apparatus comprising:  
a work-piece holder having a recess formed therein for receiving a work-piece;  
a seat stage having a chamber for receiving and engaging at least one portion of said work-piece holder;  
an adjustable offset mechanism for enabling pivotal movement ~~against~~of said work-piece holder about an axis external to the recess in the work-piece holder, wherein said adjustable offset mechanism is coupled to said work-piece holder and said seat stage.
2. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said adjustable offset mechanism is coupled to said work-piece holder and said seat stage via a pivot.
3. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said adjustable offset mechanism includes an adjusting tool that enables a user to adjust the pivotal movement against said work-piece holder.
4. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim ~~1~~11, wherein said work-piece holder is configured to automatically self-align~~self-align~~ on said seat stage after said work-piece holder is engaged by ~~a~~the block.

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5. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said chamber includes a surface for interfacing with said at least one portion of said work-piece holder.
6. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said work-piece is an unprocessed lens.
7. (Cancelled).
8. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim ~~1~~11, wherein said work-piece holder is movable over a plane orthogonal to the displacement axis of the block~~in an axis horizontal to said blocking apparatus~~.
9. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim ~~1~~11, further comprising a controlling mechanism for controlling movement of said block ~~along an axis vertical to said blocking apparatus~~.
10. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising one or more fastening mechanisms for fastening said work-piece holder on said seat stage.
11. (New) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the apparatus further comprises a block mounted in a block head, wherein the block or the work-piece holder is mounted for axial displacement to close the distance between the block and the recess in the work-piece holder.